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Madrid, May 21.

THE Court continues still at *Aranjuez*. Five hundred Horse which came from *Toledo*, after having exercised several times before the King, are marched towards *Catalonia*, from whence we hear, That the *French*, having defeated 600 *Spanish* Foot, which were marching from *Figueras*, (of which above 300 were taken Prisoners) likewise possessed themselves of that City, and still keep it. Our Forces in those parts are much inferior to those of the Enemy, but new Levies are making in this Kingdom to reinforce them. Our last Advice from *Naples* was, That the Lieutenant Admiral *de Ruyter* had joined our Fleet of Men of War and Gallies, in order to the besieging *Messina* by Sea and Land; and that the Marquis *de Velez* the Viceroy of *Naples*, had paid Monsieur *de Ruyter* 100 000 Pieces of Eight, which he had raised upon his own credit. They write from *Port St. Maries*, of a Fire that had hapned there, and among other things, had burnt several Stores, as of Cordage, Sails, Pitch, Tarr, *&c.* which had been laid up for our Armada. That young *de Ruyter* was parted from *Cadiz*, with about 20 Vessels under his Convoy. And that Sir *Richard Rooth* in the *Adventure* Frigat, was likewise sailed with several *English* Merchantmen for *England*.

Copenhagen, *May* 26. There not being at present any intercourse of Letters between us and *Sueden*, we cannot know what passes there. It is however believed, that that King is at present in the Isle of *Schonen*, to have an eye upon the motion of our Forces. In a day or two final Sentence will be given against *Griffenfelt*, and in the mean time it is the general opinion, that he will be condemned to a perpetual imprisonment. Count *Alfeld* is declared great Chancellor of this Kingdom, and on Sunday last he took possession of that charge. The next week Admiral *Tromp* purposes to sail with the Men of War that are here, to join those that are already abroad under the command of Admiral *Fueten*. Here is a report that the Sieur *Guldenlieu*, Viceroy of *Norway*, hath lately defeated two *Swedish* Regiments, but it needs a confirmation.

Strasburg, *May* 29. The 27 instant, the *Lorrain* Troops, which for some dayes were lodged near *Wilstet*, marched in great diligence towards *Lautenburg*, to pass the *Rhine* there, and join the Imperial Army, leaving 1200 Horse under the command of Major General *Schultz*, to observe the motions of the *French*, and particularly to guard the Valley of *Knitzig*, through which all the Provisions must pass that are brought hither for the Imperial Army. All the Watermen of *Brisgow* are commanded to repair forthwith hither with their Boats, which makes us believe, that General *Schultz* has intentions to make another Bridge over the *Rhine*, between this place and *Lauterburg*. The *French* Army, under the command of the Duke of *Luxemburg*, is advanced into the Plain of *Hochfeld*, with a resolution, as is said, to dispute the passage of the River *Sorr* with the *Imperialists*. The *French* have a Train of Artillery of 40 Pieces of Cannon, and 100 Wagons laden with Ammunition. They every day expect the coming up of the Detachement from *Flanders*, which we hear was arrived at *Metz*.

Lauterburg, *May* 29. Yesterday arrived here Prince *Herman* of *Baden* from *Manheim*, where he hath been to confer with the Elector Palatine; and without making any stay here, took his way towards the Imperial Army, the Right Wing of which is encamped at *Langenlander*, and the Left Wing towards *Haguenaw*. This afternoon a report hath been brought hither, that the Count *de Caprara* hath defeated four Troops of *French* Horse, who designed to enter into *Haguenaw*.

Frankfort, *May* 30. It is said here, that the Imperial Generals have resolved to lay aside the thoughts they had of besieging *Philipsburg*, and to turn them to that of *Haguenaw*, in order to which the Imperial Army is marched that way, and was encamped the 28 instant about two Leagues from that place. This day it marches again, though we cannot believe that any Siege will be undertaken, seeing the Enemy is come so near, for we understand that the Duke of *Luxemburg* is passed by *Saverne*, but it is rather thought, that the Duke of *Lorrain* will endeavor to fight the Enemy, before the reinforcement that is coming from *Flanders* joins them. The Troops that remain in the Neighborhood of *Philipsburg*, are about taking several Posts to hinder the incursions of that Garison; and when the Troops of the Circles arrive, they will at least block up the place a little more closely; for hitherto the *French* are frequently abroad in small Parties, though they do not venture to go far.

Haguenaw, *May* 30. The 24 instant, the Duke of *Luxemburg* decamped from *Schlestadt*, after having given the necessary orders for the security of that place, and the same day lodged with the Army at *Gros-Sant* near *Benfeldt*. The Train of Artillery commanded by the Marquis *de Frezeliere*, parted not from *Schlestadt* till the 25, not having arrived there from *Brisac* till the evening before. That day, the 25, the Army encamped at *Altorf*, and the 26 at *Wilten*, two Leagues from *Saverne*, where it remained the two following dayes. The 28, the Duke of *Luxemburg*, accompanied with several principal Officers, went to visit the Fortifications of *Saverne*, and found them almost finished, and the place in a very good posture. The same day two Battalions of *Picardy*, one of *Languedoc*, and some other Troops, joined the Army, which decamped yesterday, and marched to *Inguenheim*, where it is at present. Yesterday a Party of *Keyserlauterne*, consisting in 200 Foot, and 40 Cuirassiers, attacked a *French* Convoy, going from *Phalsbourg* to *Saverne*, within three quarters of a mile from this latter place, so vigorously, that our Troops gave ground, and the Enemy fell to plunder; but the Chevalier *de la Frezeliere* came so opportunely to the assistance of the *French*, that the Enemy were forced to quit their Booty, and were totally routed, 80 of them being killed, and 90 taken Prisoners, and brought to *Phalsbourg*. The Chevalier *de la Frezeliere* had his horse killed under him, and lost about 20 of his men.

Cologne, *June* 2. Monsieur *de Louvigny*, who is to com-